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Wichita, Kansas

H. C. LEONARD..... Secretary  
San Antonio, Texas

**CONFERENCE CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL.**

Year	NAME	NATIVITY	Address
....	Corbin, Bruce B.....	.....	Lake Charles, La.
1904	Carruth, J. A. ....	Mississippi .....	Marshall, Tex.
1910	Ensign, E. J. ....	Wisconsin .....	La Porte, Tex.
1910	Faulk, H. K. ....	Louisiana .....	Jennings, La.
1905	Gray, J. H. ....	Delaware .....	.....
1891	Gower, L. E. ....	Illinois .....	Houston, Tex.
1901	Harrison, W. E. ....	Louisiana .....	Hughes Springs, Tex.
1911	Harper, G. L. ....	Mississippi .....	R.R. Houston, Tex..
1911	Hardin, E. N. ....	Kentucky .....	Kinder, La.
1900	Hines, G. B. ....	Texas .....	Lake Charles, La.
....	LaFontaine, C. V. ....	.....	.....
1898	Lively, J. W. ....	Arkansas .....	Marshall, Tex.
1902	Leonard, H. C. ....	Ohio .....	San Antonio, Tex.
1880	Loy, F. W. ....	Illinois .....	Basile, La.
1911	Newton, W. R. ....	Illinois .....	Iowa, La.
1891	Oliver, N. H. ....	Pennsylvania .....	Glenmora, La.
1912	Perkins, C. A. ....	Texas .....	Hallsville, Tex.
1911	Pointer, Jas. D. ....	Alabama .....	Inhambane, EAfrica
1903	Price, A. J. ....	Michigan .....	Port Arthur, Tex.
1907	Pynes, R. T. ....	Alabama .....	Keatchie, La., RFD 1
....	Ransom, T. M. ....	.....	Houston, Tex.
1886	Robinson, C. R. ....	Michigan .....	Port Arthur, Tex.
1900	Rodgers, C. W. ....	Iowa .....	Houston, Tex.
1898	Sayers, N. L. ....	Pennsylvania .....	Kinder, La.
1892	Shrode, T. J. ....	Indiana .....	Loranger, La.
1890	Stokes, W. T. ....	Alabama .....	Ebenezer, La.
1911	Swanson, R. G. ....	Texas .....	Elton, La., R.F.D.
1904	Van Valkenburg, F. D. ....	New York .....	Biloxi, Miss.
1905	Weldon, R. L. ....	Louisiana .....	Welsh, La.
1898	Woodson, Julian ....	Tennessee .....	Marshall, Tex.
1901	Yockey, S. H. ....	Pennsylvania .....	DeQuincey, La.
1912	Wynne, A. M. ....	Louisiana .....	Lutcher, La.

**PROBATIONERS.**

Year	NAME	NATIVITY	Address
1919	Ackerman, O. J. ....	.....	.....
1919	Denny, J. S. ....	.....	Iowa, La.
1920	Mann, W. C. ....	.....	Kiam, Tex.

## OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

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Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf.....	Presiding Bishop
Harry C. Leonard.....	Secretary
S. H. Yockey.....	Assistant Secretary
C. A. Perkins.....	Assistant Secretary
E. N. Hardin.....	Statistician
A. M. Wynne.....	Assistant Statistician
S. P. Gaskin.....	Assistant Statistician
R. L. Weldon.....	Treasurer
T. M. Ransom.....	Assistant Treasurer
J. A. Carruth.....	Assistant Treasurer
H. K. Faulk.....	Auditor
G. B. Hines.....	Assistant Auditor
W. T. Stokes.....	Conference Post Master

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## CONFERENCE BOARDS, 1921.

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### DISTRICT BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION.

#### *Southern District.*

F. W. Loy	R. L. Weldon	H. K. Kaulk
	George R. Carter	

#### *Texas District.*

L. E. Gower	H. C. Leonard	C. W. Rodgers
J. A. Carruth	H. H. Jones	

### DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE PRESIDENTS.

Miss Birdie Latham    R. T. Pines

### CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON FINANCE.

T. J. Shrode	R. T. Pines	E. C. Willard
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## HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSIONS.

## The District Superintendents.

Pastors at Lake Charles, Welsh, Jennings and DeQuincy.

Mrs. D. A. Kelly	H. C. Marshal	J. A. Carruth
E. C. Willard	G. M. King	P. W. Kiplinger

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

H. K. Faulk	T. J. Shrode	H. C. Leonard
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## BOARD OF CONFERENCE STEWARDS.

## To Serve One Year.

C. H. Perkins	F. J. Ensign	H. C. Leonard
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## To Serve Two Years.

L. E. Gower	S. H. Yockey
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## To Serve Three Years.

W. T. Stokes	R. T. Pynes	J. A. Carruth
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## DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

## The District Superintendents.

C. V. Palmer	C. A. Perkins	H. K. Faulk
J. C. Abel	E. N. Hardin	J. J. Miller

## BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

H. K. Faulk	T. J. Shrode	C. R. Robinson
R. L. Weldon	F. J. Ensign	B. B. Corbin

## TRIERS OF APPEALS.

R. L. Weldon	G. B. Hines	C. A. Perkins
A. J. Price	R. G. Swanson	

## Reserves.

H. C. Leonard	W. T. Stokes
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## COMMITTEES.

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### PUBLIC WORSHIP.

Pastors and District Superintendents.

### RESOLUTIONS.

J. A. Carruth      H. C. Leonard      H. K. Faulk

### MEMOIRS.

W. R. Newton      J. W. Lively      C. A. Perkins

### EDUCATION.

C. W. Rodgers      H. K. Faulk      C. R. Robinson

### STATE OF THE CHURCH.

J. A. Carruth      W. T. Stokes

### SOCIAL SERVICE.

G. B. Hines      E. N. Hardin      S. H. Yockey

### BENEVOLENCE AND CENTENARY.

A. J. Price      Bruce B. Corbin      F. J. Ensign

### EVANGELISM.

R. L. Weldon      C. A. Perkins      R. T. Pines

### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

W. T. Stokes      R. T. Pynes

### EPISCOPAL FUND.

District Superintendents.

### CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

T. J. Shrode      R. L. Weldon      J. A. Carruth  
G. B. Hines

### GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS.

H. C. Leonard      R. T. Pynes      T. J. Shrode

### AUDITING ACCOUNTS.

H. K. Faulk      E. N. Hardin      W. R. Newton

### NEGRO EDUCATION.

T. J. Shrode      R. T. Pynes      A. J. Price

## DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

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1. Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline? It is.
2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? C. W. Rodgers, Dakota; Bruce B. Corbin, Central, N. Y.; Karl Pieringer, Switzerland.
3. Who have been Re-admitted? None.
4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? None.
5. Who have been Received on Trial? (a) In Studies of First Year: W. C. Mann. (b) In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule: None.
6. Who have been Continued on Trial? (a) In Studies of First Year: O. J. Ackerman, J. S. Denny. (b) In Studies of Second Year: None. (c) In Studies of Third Year: None. (d) In Studies of Fourth Year: None.
7. Who have been Discontinued? K. C. Minter.
8. Who have been admitted into Full Membership? (a) Elected and Ordained Deacons this year: None. (b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously: A. M. Wynne.
9. What Members are in the Studies of Third Year? (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year: None. (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously: A. M. Wynne.
10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year? J. D. Pointer.
11. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study? (a) Elected and Ordained Elders this year: None. (b) Elected and Ordained Elders previously: None. (c) Elected and Ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule: None.
12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons? (a) As Local Preachers: None. (b) Under Missionary Rule: Karl Pieringer. (c) Under the Seminary Rule: None.
13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders? (a) As Local Deacons: None. (b) Under the Missionary Rule: Karl Pieringer.
14. Was the Charter of each preacher examined? It was as his name was called in open Conference.
15. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences? Karl Pieringer, Switzerland.
16. Who have died? None.
17. Who have been Located at their own Request? None.
18. Who have been located? None.
19. Who have Withdrawn? J. B. Gilmore.

20. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints? None.
21. Who have been Expelled? None.
22. What other personal Notation should be made? None.
23. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? C. V. Fontaine.
24. Who are the Retired Ministers? G. L. Harper, J. W. Lively, N. H. Oliver, N. L. Sayers, F. D. Van Valkenberg, Julian Woodson.
25. Who are the Triers of Appeals? R. L. Weldon, G. B. Hines, C. A. Perkins, A. J. Price, R. G. Swanson. Reserves: H. C. Leonard, W. T. Stokes.
26. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?
27. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?
28. What is the Statistical Report? (See the Statistician's Report).
29. What is the Conference Treasurer's Report? (See the Conference Treasurer's Report).
30. (a) What is the Aggregate of the Benovelence Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? \$11,056.00. (b) What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Anual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?
31. What are the Claims on the Conference Funds? For Annuity Distribution,  $106\frac{1}{2}$  years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of \$14.50 per year, \$1,544.25. For Necessitous distribution, \$655.60. Total, \$2,199.85.
32. (a) What has been Received on these claims? From the Book Concern, \$590.00; from Annual Conference Investments, \$72.00; from the Chartered Fund, \$35.00; from Pastoral Charges, \$1,075.00; from the Board of Conference Claimants, \$600.00; Total, \$2,308.58. (b) How has it been applied?
33. What amount has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the support of Conference Claimants? \$1,600.00.
34. What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conferenme Claimants for Connectional Relief? \$64.00.
35. Where are the Preachers Stationed? (See List of Appointments).
36. Where shall the Next Conference be held? Port Arthur, Texas.

**APPOINTMENTS****SOUTHERN DISTRICT.**

F. W. Loy, District Superintendent, Basile, La.

Auburn and Oakgrove.....	(R. C. Williams) Supply
Bayou Chene.....	W. R. Newyon
Basile and Crowley (French Mission).....	(T. D. Perrott) Supply (One to be Supplied)
DeQuincy and DeRidder.....	C. H. Yockey
Ebenezer.....	W. T. Stokes
Gloster.....	(D. Cassels) Supply
Gueydan.....	(T. D. Perrott) Supply
Iowa.....	J. S. Denney
Jennings.....	H. K. Faulk
Kinder, Elton and Raymond.....	E. N. Hardin
Lake Charles.....	Bruce B. Corbin
Loranger.....	T. J. Shrode
Lutcher.....	A. M. Wynne
New Orleans (First Italian).....	(A. Palmisano) Supply
Port Arthur and Hyde Park.....	C. R. Robinson
Quitman.....	(To be Supplied)
Shamrock and Weaver.....	(W. C. Robers) Supply
Sweet Lake.....	(W. B. Hebert) Supply
Welsh.....	R. L. Weldon

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**TEXAS DISTRICT.**

L. E. Gower, Superintendent, Houston Heights, Houston, Tex.

Alvin.....	(W. J. Simmons) Supply
Bethel and Deadwood.....	R. T. Pynes
Houston: Collins Memorial.....	C. W. Rodgers
Hughes Springs, Jefferson and Atlanta.....	(To be Supplied)
La Porte.....	F. J. Ensign
Lufkin Circuit.....	(I. M. Wright) Supply
Lyford.....	(Reuben Anson) Supply
Marshall.....	J. A. Carruth
Morgans Point.....	F. J. Ensign

**TEXAS DISTRICT APPOINTMENTS—Continued.**

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Noonday and Wesley.....	C. A. Perkins
Ore City Circuit.....	C. A. Perkins (Asst. J. M. Baker, Supply)
Polk Circuit.....	W. C. Mann
Rockhill.....	(J. M. Kenna) Supply
Sabine Circuit.....	(J. O. Stephens) Supply
San Antonio: Trinity.....	H. C. Leonard
San Antonio: Williams Chapel.....	(C. M. Hollett) Supply
Shelbyville Circuit.....	(J. O. Stephens) Supply
South Houston and Pearland.....	T. M. Ransom
Texas City.....	(W. I. Gates) Supply
Winnsboro Circuit.....	(S. P. Gaskins) Supply
Woodville Circuit.....	R. G. Swanson

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**SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.**

E. J. Ensign.....	Granted a Year Leave of Absence (Member of LaPorte Quarterly Conference)
W. E. Harrison.....	Teacher Wilmore College (Member of Hughes Springs Quarterly Conference)
G. B. Hines.....	Y. M. C. A. Work (Member of Lake Charles Quarterly Conference)
A. J. Price.....	President Port Arthur College (Member of Port Arthur Quarterly Conference)
J. D. Pointer.....	Missionary to Portuguese, East Africa

# Journal of Daily Proceedings

## FIRST DAY.

Wednesday, December 8, 1920.

The eighteenth session of the Gulf Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened Wednesday at nine in the morning, December 8, 1920, in the Collins Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, Houston, Texas, Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf presiding.

After singing hymn "Come Thou Fount" the Bishop addressed the Conference. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop assisted by the District Superintendents and the local pastor.

### *Organization.*

The Bishop called the Conference to order and asked the secretary of the last session to call the roll. Nineteen answered present. The officers of the Conference were duly elected. (See Officers of Conference).

The bar of the Conference was placed back of the third pew.

Privilege of the floor was granted to the Area Staff, all supplies and visiting ministerial brethren.

C. A. Perkins was selected to secure subscriptions to the Methodist Review.

The Conference printed program was made the official program with the hours of 8:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. for the sessions.

The Bishop outlined in a fellowship address the area program and introduced the area staff—Revs. H. E. Wolf, D. D., W. T. Ward, D. D., and A. E. Peterson, D. D.

A motion was adopted requesting the Area staff to co-operate with the Conference in forming the ten committees

and in presenting the programs. In carrying out this action the members of the Conference were assigned to the staff.

The Conference Committees and Boards were nominated by the Secretary of the Cabinet and elected. (See list of Conference Boards and Committees).

#### *Conference Relations.*

A resolution was adopted requiring that all matters pertaining to change or review of Conference relations be placed with the Committee on Conference Relations.

The Conference Board of Stewards was authorized to act on any claim that a Quarterly Conference may have neglected to report.

#### *Reports of Pastors.*

The Conference ordered that the pastors report on the following, Centenary Total, Whether in Full, Claims prorated, Number of Conversions, Number of Accessions, Number of Tithers, Numbers of Church Papers.

#### *Institute.*

The hour of eleven having arrived Dr. Ward presented the subject "Organization".

Conference adjourned with benediction by the Bishop.

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## SECOND DAY.

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Thursday, December, 9, 1920.

At 8:30 the Bishop called the Conference to order and hymn "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung. The Bishop spoke briefly on "Needed Power in Organization," and led in prayer.

#### *Institute.*

Subject, "Spiritual Activities", Leader, Rev. A. E. Petersen, D. D. H. K. Faulk spoke on "Ten Per Cent Net In-

crease" and "Constituency"; H. S. Yockey on "Morning Watch" and "Family Worship"; J. A. Carruth on "Permeating Evangelistic Spirit" and "Camp Meeting." Closing summary was made by the Bishop.

Journal of previous session was read and approved.

Under Question 1—"Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline?" It is.

Under Question 2—"Who has been received by transfer and from what Conference"?—Bruce B. Corbin, Central New York, C. W. Rodgers, Dakota.

Under Question 16—"Who have Died"? None.

Under Question 25—"Who are the Triers of Appeals"? R. L. Weldon, G. B. Hines, C. A. Perkins, A. J. Price and R. G. Swanson.

Under Question 14—"Was the Character of each Preacher Examined", It was as his name was called in open Conference. The names of the District Superintendents were called, their characters passed and each reported his district.

The following effective elders of the Southern District were called and reported their work: W. R. Newton, W. T. Stokes, R. G. Swanson, H. K. Faulk, B. B. Corbin, T. J. Shrode, S. H. Yockey, C. R. Robinson, R. L. Weldon. The character of each was passed.

The following supplies reported—C. M. Hollett and J. O. Stephens.

Those in detached service called and characters passed: A. J. Price, G. B. Hines and J. D. Pointer.

Case of C. V. LaFontaine referred to Committee on Conference Relations.

The following effective elders, supplies and undergraduates of the Texas District were called, characters passed, and each reported his work: R. T. Pynes, C. W. Rodgers, F. J. Ensign, J. A. Carruth, C. A. Perkins, H. C. Leonard, E. N. Hardin and T. M. Ransom (Elders); J. S. Denny, W. C. Mann, J. M. Kenna and S. P. Gaskin.

The following reported their charges as having paid their Centenary quota in full to date: J. A. Carruth, C. W. Rodgers, J. T. Shrode, C. R. Robinson, W. R. Newton.

*Introductions.*

Rev. E. C. Olander, President Wesleyan College, Austin, Texas; Revs. A. A. Leifeste, August Didzun, W. F. Froehner, C. W. Schlechte and H. M. Hopkins, Southern German Conference.

*Episcopal Fund.*

The Bishop announced the sum of \$591.00 to be raised for the Episcopal Fund at the rate of two and one quarter per cent of pastoral support including house rent: Southern District \$359.00, Texas District \$232.00. Quota was adopted.

*Institute.*

Rev. H. E. Wolf, D. D., in charge. Subject "Finance". Program, "Every Members Canvass and Centenary Pledges," R. L. Weldon; "Stewardship and Tithing," B. B. Corbin; "Ministerial Support," F. W. Loy.

H. K. Faulk was made official reporter for the Central Christian Advocate.

Adjourned with benediction.

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**THIRD DAY.**

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Friday, December 10, 1920.

The Bishop called the Conference to order at 8:30 and hymn "Precious Name" was sung. After the devotional service there followed an institute under direction of Rev. W. T. Ward, D. D. Subject, "Philanthropies." Program, "The Sick," N. H. Oliver; "Youth, Aged and the Foreigner," R. G. Swanson. Then under the direction of Dr. H. E. Wolf: Subject, "Sunday School." Program, "Attendance,"

F. J. Ensign; "Teachers," O. J. Stephens; "Evangelism," W. T. Stokes.

Journal of last session was read, corrected and then approved.

Motion prevailed that an official representative be selected by the District Superintendents to co-operate with representatives from other Conferences in the State.

A resolution regarding the pooling of Conference traveling expenses was referred to a committee consisting of A. J. Price and R. T. Pynes and a third man to be chosen by these two.

#### *Conference Claimant Fund.*

The Bishop presented checks from the Book Concern for \$442.50 and \$147.50, and from the Chartered Fund for \$35.00 for the Conference Claimants Fund. Same were ordered placed with the treasurer of the Conference Board of Stewards.

J. A. Carruth announced a check for \$72.58 from the Conference Invested Fund. Same was ordered to be placed with the treasurer of the Conference Board of Stewards.

Rev. S. J. Greenfield, F. D., representing the Board of Conference Claimants was introduced, addressed the Conference and presented a check for the fund from the Board of Conference Claimants for \$600.00. Same was ordered placed with the treasurer of the Conference Board of Stewards.

#### *Conference Relations.*

Upon motion of L. E. Gower, K. C. Minter was discontinued at his own request.

A year's leave of absence was granted J. H. Gray for rest and recuperation.

On motion of L. F. Gower, W. C. Mann was admitted on trial and placed in studies of the first year.

Question 14 was again called and answered affirmatively.

Under Question 5—"Who have been Received on Trial"?

- "(a) In Studies of First Year," W. C. Mann.
- "(b) In Studies of Second Year," None.

Under Question 6—"Who have been continued on Trial"?

- "(a) In Studies of First Year," O. J. Ackerman  
and J. S. Denny.
- "(b) In Studies of Second Year," none.
- "(c) In Studies of Third Year," none.
- "(d) In Studies of Fourth Year," none.

Under Question 8—"Who have been Admitted to Full Membership"? None.

Under Question 9—"What Members are in the Studies of the Third Year"?

- "(a) Admitted into Full Membership this Year."  
None.
- "(b) Admitted into Full Membership Previously"?  
A. M. Wynne.

Under Question 10—"What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year"? J. D. Pointer.

The Conference requested the Bishop to leave W. E. Harrison without appointment to teach in a school.

On motion of F. W. Loy, C. V. LaFontaine was placed in the Supernumerary relation, also notice was given that he would be requested to locate.

Under Question 23—"Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation"? C. V. LaFontaine.

Karl Piermger was transferred from the Switzerland Conference, elected to Deacons and Elders Orders under the Missionary Rule and transferred then by the Bishop to the Switzerland Conference.

The publishing of the Journal was made the order of the day for ten o'clock Saturday morning.

Adjourned with benediction by L. E. Gower.

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## FOURTH DAY.

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Saturday Morning, December 11, 1920.

Bishop Waldorf called the Conference to order at 8:45. A hymn was sung.

### *Institute.*

Dr. A. E. Peterson in charge, Subject, "Education." "Religious Training," C. A. Perkins; "The Pastor's Relation to Education," A. J. Price; "Evangeline Academy," Walton McCain.

Dr. W. T. Ward in charge, Subject, "Publicity." Program, "Present and Future," N. H. Oliver; "Church Bulletin," F. J. Ensign; "Church Paper," C. M. Hollett. The Bishop made summary.

Journal of last session read and approved.

### *Abandoned Property.*

On motion of F. W. Loy the Crowley property was placed with Basile and permission given to sell and apply the amount secured with Basile.

On motion of A. J. Price the Hyde Park Church, Austin, Texas, was placed with Port Arthur and permission given to sell the same and apply the amount secured with Port Arthur.

On motion of L. E. Gower action of the last Annual Session of the Conference regarding the sale of abandoned church property in the Texas District was confirmed.

### *Financing the Journal.*

On motion of L. E. Gower the Conference ordered that the members give three-fourths of one per cent of total cash support including missionary support for publishing the Journal.

*Reports.*

Recommendations of Committee on Equalizing Conference traveling expenses read by A. J. Price and adopted. (See Reports of Committees).

F. J. Ensign and C. W. Rodgers appointed to carry out the provisions of the resolution for Equalization of Conference Traveling Expenses.

Report of Committee on Education read and adopted. (See reports).

On motion of A. J. Price it was recommended that pending the extension of the curriculum at Port Arthur College our pastors be requested to direct the attention of their young people seeking a college education to Oklahoma City College.

Report of Committee on Young People's work read by H. K. Faulk and adopted (See report). District Superintendent of Southern District appointed by the Bishop President of the Board.

A. J. Carruth announced \$34.00 received from the Epworth League of the Collins Memorial Church for the Permanent Fund. He also made the following report for the treasurer of the fund:

Report of the Treasurer of the Conference Claimants Permanent Fund to the Annual Conference, December 1920.	
Amount invested through the Calcasieu National Bank, of Southwest, La.	\$1,000.00
Amount on savings account in the Calcasieu National Bank .....	98.25
Total .....	\$1,098.25
Amount received from interest .....	\$72.58

Under Question 34—"What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief"? \$64.00.

Under Question 31—"What are the Claims on the Conference Fund"? For Annuity Distribution,  $106\frac{1}{2}$  years multiplied by the Disciplinary rate of \$14.50 per year, \$1,544.25; for Necessitous Distribution, \$655.60. Total, \$2,199.85.

Under Question 32—"What has been Received on these Claims"? From the Book Concern, \$590; from Annual Conference Investments, \$72.00; from the Chartered Fund, \$35.00; from Pastoral Charges, \$1,075.00; from the Board of Conference Claimants, \$600.00. Total, \$2,308.58.

Under Question 33—"What Amount has been Apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be Raised for Support of Conference Claimants"? \$1,600.00.

On motion of A. J. Price the Conference recognized the continuing without change the Trustees of the Conference.

A. J. Price read report of Committee on Benevolence and Centenary. Adopted. (See Reports).

A. M. Wynne was continued in Studies of Third Year.

J. A. Carruth read Report of Committee on State of the Church. Adopted. (See Reports).

C. A. Perkins read Report of Committee on Evangelism. Adopted. (See Reports).

On motion of A. J. Price the Conference resolved that inasmuch as the Conference Educational Collection now goes directly to the Board of Education we request that this shall delay as little as possible the return of such funds as may be due, to Port Arthur College.

On motion of A. J. Price the Board of Education was requested to pay to Port Arthur College portion of available funds as may be equitable for the Gulf Conference.

On motion of F. W. Loy the Conference commended the school at Basile, La., for the French, to representatives from the Wichita Area, to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, and earnestly requested them to urge the work and claim of this school to the attention of the Board.

Under Question 17—"Who have been Located at their Own Request"? None.

Under Question 18—"Who have been Located"? None.

Under Question 19—"Who have Withdrawn"? J. B. Gilmore.

Under Question 20—"Who have been Permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints"? None.

Under Question 21—"Who have been Expelled"? None.

Under Question 22—"What Other Personal Notation Should be Made"? None.

Under Question 24—"Who are the Retired Ministers"?

G. L. Harper, J. W. Lively, N. H. Oliver, N. L. Sayers, F. D. Van Valkenberg, Julian Woodson.

The Secretary was directed to communicate with the absent retired ministers.

Under Question 26—"What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. None.

On motion of L. E. Gower it was ordered that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at two o'clock.

#### *Introductions.*

Rev. F. W. Mueller, D. D., Board of Home Missions and Church Extensions; Rev. E. D. Kohlstedt, D. D., Commission on Conservation and Advance; Rev. Perry O. Hanson, D. D., Board of Foreign Missions.

Under Question 36—"Where shall the Next Conference be Held"? Port Arthur, Texas.

#### *Institute.*

Mrs. C. W. Rodgers in charge—Subject, "Ladies Aid", Mrs. Caldwell, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mrs. N. H. Oliver and Mrs. T. J. Shrode.

Adjourned with benediction by the Bishop.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Conference called to order by the Bishop at two o'clock. Devotional service conducted by the Bishop.

Journal of the morning session was read corrected and then approved.

Under Question 26—"What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension"? (See Reports).

Under Question 27—"What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions"? None.

Rev. F. W. Mueller, D. D., addressed the Conference on the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Motion prevailed that reports be received at the supper hour.

Motion prevailed that new Committees provided by the General Conference be appointed by the Cabinet and appear in the Journal.

Report of Auditing Committee read by H. K. Faulk and adopted. (See Reports).

Report of Committee on Social Service read and adopted. (See Reports).

Mrs. F. J. Ensign read the resolution of the Committee on Woman's Work which was adopted item by item. (See Reports).

Under Question 28—"What is the Statistical Report"? (See Statistical Report).

Under Question 29—"What is the Treasurer's Report"? (See Report).

Rev. Perry O. Hanson, D. D., addressed the Conference in the interest of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. E. D. Kahlstedt, D. D., made an address in the interest of the Committee on Conservation and Advance.

Conference adjourned to meet at supper hour. Prayer by the Bishop.

#### SUPPER SESSION.

Reports of officers and committees were completed, and those of the Treasurer, Statistician and the Committees on Board of Home Mission and Church Extension and Committee on Foreign Missions adopted. (See Reports).

R. T. Pynes reported the session of the Rural Pastors.

Officers of Rural Pastors: R. T. Pynes, President; W. C. Mann, Vice-President; T. M. Ransom, Secretary and Treasurer.

Association—Report was received and plans for an institute approved.

Conference ordered that there be a platform meeting Sunday evening followed by the reading of the appointments.

Conference ordered that the Journal be made the official record.

Journal was read and approved.

Adjourned to convene Sunday night.

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## FIFTH DAY.

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Sunday, December 12, 1920.

Purusant to adjournment, Conference convened on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. After a platform meeting the Bishop addressed the Conference.

F. J. Ensign was granted a year's leave of absence.

F. L. Jones was recognized as a useful man in evangelistic work.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read and adopted. (See Reports).

Bishop Waldorf read the appointments. (See Appointments).

Conference adjourned with prayer by F. W. Loy and benediction by L. E. Gower.

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## TEXAS DISTRICT.

The Texas District is made up of twenty-one Pastoral Charges, and contains fifty different societies.

Seven full members of the Conference, two probationers and eight "supplies" constitute our Ministerial working force. Two of our Pastors have had oversight of two Charges each during the year, and we close it with two Charges having no pastor, Hughes Springs and Lyford.

Dr. W. E. Harrison was given permission in September, to go to Wilmore, Ky., and teach in Asbury College, and

Bro. O. J. Ackerman was relieved of his charge to attend school at Evanston, Ill. With the exception of these, the men appointed to the Charges at our last Session of Conference have remained and will make reports.

Evidences of the abiding presence of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost have been witnessed and enjoyed on every charge during the Conference year. Not a member of any Parsonage Family has been taken from among us by death.

Revivals have been held on almost every Charge with encouraging results. Special emphasis has been placed on Life Service, and from among the scores of "Volunteers" eight have indicated a definite call to the Ministry or Missionary Work. Seven of our men are now in Institutions of Higher Learning preparing for the Ministry; our young people, like those of other sections of the world are fully aware of the fact that only the thoroughly trained and fully consecrated will be listed with "the efficient" Ministry of tomorrow.

The merits of the Centenary and our obligation to do our part in maintaining and building the Kingdom of God through the Methodist Episcopal Church has been kept before Pastors and people, and each has been repeatedly urged to at least meet their quota.

From some of the larger Charges the Centenary and Benevolent claims will be paid in full, but from quite a number of those more scattered works, where the Pastors have failed to get the program of the Church clearly before the membership, and from some where financial reverses have been experienced the returns will be disappointing. We have not succeeded in properly organizing for aggressive work on all the Charges. On at least two Charges there has been no systematic, every member canvass in the interest of other claims than the Local Budget. Only those familiar with local conditions can fully understand why this is the case.

The District will show a very credible increase in Ministerial support over any previous year, though we are a long way from where we can make it interesting to Pastors

in other parts of the country. This fact accounts for our continued loss of men to other conferences.

There is a very noticeable increase of interest in the young life of the Church and Constituency, by the older members, and as a result the Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues are larger and doing better work than in the past, and co-operation on their part, in return, gives promise of renewed and enlarged activities along all lines.

Reports made to the Fourth Quarterly Conferences by the Ladies Aid and Misionary Societies, both Home and Foreign, were very gratifying indeed, through these auxiliaries the material and Spiritual interests of the local churches in the District have been greatly helped.

Material improvements have been made on Church and Parsonage properties on about one-third the Charges on the District. While some of these have required only minor investments, two are outstanding in magnitude and importance. On the Bethel and Deadwood Charge we have built the largest Parsonage on the District. When this is finished it will represent an outlay of something over three thousand dollars. This is our Rural Home Mission and Church Extension "try out" enterprise, and when we undertook it last December the Pastor and Family had no place to be housed except in the church. Now Bro. Pynes and family are happy and comfortable in a ten-room house which by January 1st will be finished.

The second of these major enterprises is Trinity Church, San Antonio. It was in this new church we fully expected this Session to be held, but shortage of material forbid its completion in time. It is to be finished by about February 1, 1921, and when finished will be a credit to our District and Conference, it will be the best Church in the Conference, and not only so, it will represent an outlay of something like ninety thousand dollars and six years of ceaseless self-sacrificing toil on the part of its Official Board and the Pastor, Rev. H. C. Leonard.

Houston Heights was left to be supplied at our last session and in January the transfer of Dr. W. C. Rodgers of

Britton, South Dakota, was secured from the Dakota Conference and he was placed in charge. The year has been most prosperous. The Sunday School has made a gain of over one hundred per cent, a gain of over fifty per cent, net, has been made in church membership. All departments of the church are well organized and doing effective service.

We have needs, many, but there is only one panacea. Give us a Divinely called, thoroughly consecrated, well trained, energetic, and sympathetic ministry in sufficient numbers to properly man our field and we will enlarge and make serviceable our churches, circulate our publications, support our Connectional interests, put over a worth while Evangelistic campaign, recruit our Ministry, and within a very short time bring a very large per cent of our work to self-support, beside greatly extending our activities and showing all concerned that we have a mission in the South.

Personally, the year has been one of constant toil and deepest solicitude. I have given all my time and energy to this one task. In the solution of every problem I have exercised my best judgment. I have been painfully conscious of the sufferings of my Pastors and their families and have done all that seemed possible to relieve them. Our fellowship has been unbroken and our co-operation in the work of the Lord a delight. We close the year with devout thanksgiving to God for what of good has been accomplished, and with a realization of the fact that "the fields are white unto harvest".

Respectfully submitted  
L. E. GOWER.

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## SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

The work on the Southern District, during the year closing, has been constant and in a measure fruitful. We have spent most of the time in the field. We have given much attention, especially during the summer months, to

evangelistic effort. A number of helpful revival meetings have been held. In some were manifest old time power. On many charges there have been conversions and accessions. Decision and Rally Days have been observed on most of the charges with good results. On the following charges the Pastor's salary has been increased, Port Arthur, \$500; DeQuincy, \$300; Welsh, \$300; Jennings, \$400; Kinder, \$150; Lutcher, \$180; Elton, \$150; Quitman, \$150; Raymond, \$150, and Sweet Lake, \$100.

At DeQuincy a beautiful bungalow parsonage is nearing completion. At Quitman a Church is completed, except the painting, valued at \$4000. At Loranger an electric plant has been installed and improvements made costing over \$1000. All indebtedness against the property at Iowa has been met, the Church and parsonage repaired and painted, costing \$1200. Pews valued at \$1000, have been placed in Church at Elton. At Weaver a new site has been purchased and \$2000 subscribed toward a more centrally located church. This should be made a model rural center. The Church when completed will cost \$5000. At Kinder the Church has been repaired and repainted at a cost of \$525. Queydan Church has been repainted and re-roofed, costing \$450. The site and \$1200 have been secured for a new Church at Homewood. The societies at Sweet Lake and Bell City will unite in the new Church. Port Arthur has paid \$1300 on debt and improvements.

Increased subscriptions to the Advocates are reported. Most of our Sunday Schools are supplied with our literature. We have done our best for the Centenary and Conference Claimants. The financial situation has been a great drawback and doubtless has delayed the payment of subscriptions. No one who has not been on the ground can appreciate conditions in the rice territory.

The Epworth League held a good convention in June, at Jennings, and voted to hold an institute next year.

The Southern District ministers to three white peoples, English speaking, Italian and French.

Our work among the Italian people is prospering as

perhaps never before. We have a good and growing congregation, a flourishing Sunday School and a live Epworth League. We now have a night school which is proving a success. The Woman's Home Mission Society has two efficient workers in the field. Perfect harmony prevails. The entire Church and Parsonage property is now free from all claim of man. Rev. A. Palmisano is the big hearted faithful Pastor.

Our work among the French has assumed unthought-of proportions. At Basile six French families have been received into the Church. The field has been surveyed and a number of open places await the messenger of truth. After the consultation with members of the Conference, the Board of Home Missions and Christian Endeavor and the Woman's Home Mission Society it was decided to open a school at Basile primarily for the French. This was done. The school is known as the Evangeline College. It is under the supervision of the Methodist Episcopal Church. This is the only Methodist school in America for French. We have a beautiful wooded campus donated by Mr. Walton McCain. We have a well equipped four-room building, as temporary quarters. The estimated value of the building is \$6000. This is more than provided for by a local subscription of \$17,500. Our immediate need is a dormitory and later a larger school building. The school is now operated as an academy. In the school are now taught the common branches, music, domestic science and art, agriculture, manual training, Bible and Church History. The school is opened with devotional exercises. Over 150,000 French people live within easy reach of this school. The school has increased in attendance from 21 on opening day, September 20, to 58 December 1st. I believe this school is worthy of the sympathy and support of the whole Church.

In April J. H. Gray moved from Lake Charles leaving the church vacant and in June J. B. Gilmore pastor at De Quincy withdrew from our Church and Ministry. Bruce B.

Corbin was secured for Lake Charles and C. M. Hollett for DeQuincy.

These men have proven true and efficient ministers of the Gospel. Lake Charles has responded to the touch of a master hand and De Quincy has recognized the worthy leadership of Dr. Hollett.

The other pastors and workers have remained faithful at their posts.

On Quarterly Meeting and other occasions when I have been with the pastors 46 have united with the Church. We need a larger constituency.

There have been some trying situations, but I can say that in every instance I have honestly tried to do the right, to be fair and impartial, and in every opportunity I have done my best.

FRANK W. LOY, D. S.

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

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### THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

We note with pleasure, that the Church is increasingly active, in pressing forward along the line of the ideals of Christ. We observe this,

First. In its increased interest in hospitals, its care for the sick, and suffering, homes for the aged and for helpless children.

Second. In its increased interest in education, by enlarging, improving and increasing the number of educational institutions; also in the large number, and character, of our publications, through which our people are given wholesome, and character building ideals. Among which are our Advocates, and especially the Central Christian Advocate, is the official organ of our Area, and is indispensable to an intelligent and well-informed constituency.

Third. In its large and comprehensive financial program and achievements.

We would do well, however, to remember that with increased activities comes increased light, and with increased light, comes increased responsibilities, and larger opportunities. The whole world is looking to the Church today for spiritual light and liberty. The ultimate end, and supreme task of the Church, is to lead the unsaved, to the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.

Be it resolved, therefore, that we pledge ourselves to greater diligence in prayer, the reading of God's Word, and in devotion to God, the cause and kingdom for which our Saviour died.

J. A. CARRUTH

G. B. HINES

W. T. STOKES.

#### SOCIAL SERVICE.

In harmony with the report of the Committee on Social Service at our last General Conference we believe that the Methodist Episcopal Church stands for equal rights and complete justice for all men in all stations of life; for the protection of the family for the single standard of purity, uniform divorce laws, proper regulation of marriage and proper housing; for such regulation of the conditions of toil for women as shall safeguard the physical and moral habits of the community; and for the fullest possible development of every child, especially by the provision of proper education and recreation, and by the abolition of child labor.

The Methodist Episcopal Church stands for the right of all men or the opportunity of all men for self-maintenance, safeguarding this right against encroachments of every kind, and for the protection of workers from the hardships of enforced unemployment.

It stands for suitable provision for the workers in old age and those incapacitated by injury; for the principle of conciliation and arbitration in industrial disputes, and for release from employment one day in seven.

It stands for the gradual and reasonable reduction of the hours of labor to the lowest practicable point, and for that degree of leisure for all, which is a condition of the highest human life, for a living wage as a minimum in industry and for the highest wage that each industry can afford, and for the most equitable division of the product of industry that can ultimately be devised.

It stands for the right of employers and employees to organize.

It stands for a new emphasis upon the application of Christian principles to the acquisition and use of property.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM.

In the field of general social welfare we recommend that during the next four years the churches concentrate attention, or at least put stress upon unemployment, housing, prison reform and recreation. But its Supreme Social function is to educate the community in the fundamental principles which underlie these movements of social progress, to develop the atmosphere in which they are born.

Whereas, a grave situation exists in connection with industrial operations throughout our land, and because of conditions of unrest and discontent; *therefore, be it resolved*, That we individually and collectively as far as in our powers lies endeavor to make Jesus Christ King in finance, in industry, in government; to steady, to quiet and redeem society in all the ranges and reaches of personal life and relations.

F. N. HARDIN

G. B. HINES.

#### EQUALIZING CONFERENCE TRAVELING EXPENSES

Your Committee on Equalizing Conference Expenses recommends:

1. That the railroad fare of every member, probationer, and supply be equalized for the Conference of 1921 on the following basis: Clergy rates on shortest railroad mileage

from and to the last appointment if it be within the bounds of the Conference or the nearest point in the Conference when traveling from outside the bounds of the Conference.

2. Inasmuch, as the work of the Conference is the work of the Church that the churches be requested to provide at least the equalized fare but the pastor shall pay if the church does not.

3. That any expenses other than railroad fare for the pastor be not equalized.

4. That a Fare Equalizing Committee of two be elected by this Conference whose duty it shall be to reckon the amount necessary for and from each pastor, notify him before Conference and make collections and disbursements at Conference.

A. J. PRICE

R. T. PYNES

C. W. RODGERS.

(Conference appointed E. J. Ensign and C. W. Rodgers as committee to carry out provisions of this resolution).

#### AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We earnestly request that the pastors see to it that their reports to the Conference Treasurer be in his hands properly made out not later than the first day of the Conference.

The accounts of the Conference Treasurer have been audited and found correct. The accounts of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension have been audited and found correct and all moneys received accounted for. Mrs. Mabel King Kelly, Treasurer of the Board is again especially commended for the correct and neat way in which the accounts of this Board are kept.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The calls from the Mission fields were never greater nor more urgent. We must rise to the answering of these calls to the full measure of our ability. We must go forward in answering the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

J. A. CARRUTH.

### EDUCATION.

We commend the effort of our Resident Bishop to Co-ordinate the educational activities of the Wichita Area.

We have heard with pleasure the report of President Price of Port Arthur College and recommend the college to any one desiring a business education.

We heartily approve the opening of a secondary school at Basile, La., primarily for the French, and pledge the enterprise our fostering care.

We recommend the appointment of H. K. Faulk, B. B. Corbin and C. R. Robinson as Conference visitors to Evangeline College.

(No Signature.)

### YOUNG PEOPLES'S WORK.

Your Committee on Epworth League and Young People's Work beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

1. We, as the Gulf Annual Conference, heartily endorse the plan for Young People's Work as outlined and recommended by the Area Council.
2. We recommend that an Institute be held within the bounds of the Gulf Conference during the month of June at Lake Charles, La.
3. That the Conference Institute Board of Control be composed of the following officers: The District superintendents, the Presidents of the District Epworth Leagues, an Institute Manager, Dean, Registrar, Life Work Secretary, Promotion Secretary, and a Book Steward.

4. We place in nomination for these offices the following persons:

Manager, H. K. Faulk.

Dean, A. J. Price.

Registrar—R. L. Welden.

Life Work Secretary, J. A. Carruth.

Promotion Secretary, C. W. Rodgers.

Book Steward, C. A. Perkins.

5. We request that the Bishop name some member of the Cabinet to act as President of the Board.

(No Signature.)

#### WOMAN'S WORK.

Committee for the Southern District: Mrs. Shrode, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Robinson, Miss D. E. Radeke, Mrs. Loy, Mrs. King, Mrs. Corbin.

Committee for Texas District: Mrs. Gower, Mrs. Ensign, Mrs. Leonard, Mrs. Rodgers, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Gates, Mrs. Hovey, Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Barrett.

Request was made that Mrs. H. E. Wolf represent the ladies of the Gulf Conference in linking up the Woman's work in the Wichita Area. The Women of the Districts are asked to take steps to have a Woman's Foreign and a Woman's Home Missionary Society and a Ladies Aid Society in every charge in which all the women of the District should be related. Where it is impossible for separate organizations that they be combined.

It was decided to hold anniversary services at the sessions of the Annual Conference in the afternoon. An hour being given to each Woman's Missionary Society. The Women's Committee of the Southern District shall be responsible for the meeting of the Home program and the Women's Committee of the Texas District for the Foreign program.

The District Superintendents are requested to arrange with pastors and people for the organization of the Woman's work according to these plans at the meeting of the next Quarterly Conference.

### BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

There has been paid into the Board during the year, \$11,883.46 for maintenance from the General Board at Philadelphia. All of this amount has been paid out by the Treasurer, Mrs. Kelly, of the Conference Board, and she has sent the cancelled checks of all this amount to the Annual Conference. There has been paid into the Conference Board for Church Extension \$11,100.00, and this amount has been paid out to the churches under the Conference projects.

(No Signature.)

### BENEVOLENCE AND CENTENARY.

While we recognize the magnitude and significance of the Centenary Campaign and rejoice in its marvelous initial success, we are increasingly impressed with the fact no one campaign or series of campaigns, however cast, can bring in the triumph of the Kingdom of Christ. This will come only when every church member has been adequately related to the program of Christ in his thinking and sympathy, in his prayer life, in his life purpose and through systematic and adequate financial support.

To this end we rejoice in the thorough going organization and plans for conservation of the Centenary Movement throughout the Church and especially in Wichita Area. We urge every pastor to co-operate with our Bishop and his able assistants by carving out the Area program of Conservation as it has been presented to us during our Conference session.

We urge that the program of education and inspiration, and the effort to enlist intercessors, tithers and life service decisions be projected earnestly and continuously in all of our churches. We believe by doing this that not only will the immediate end of the Centenary be conserved, but our churches permanently will be lifted to higher levels and spiritual power and Kingdom efficiency.

A. J. PRICE  
F. J. ENSIGN  
B. B. CORBIN.

## RESOLUTIONS.

We deeply appreciate the splendid manner in which the members of friends of the Collins' Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church have welcomed and entertained the members of the Conference. Special mention must be made of those ladies who daily spread the bountiful table.

We recognize the warm cordiality of the pastor, C. W. Rodgers, and though this be his first Conference with us we welcome him with heart and soul.

The Area Staff: Doctors H. E. Wolf, W. T. Ward and A. F. Peterson have opened to us new vistas of truth and success through their institute programs. We pledge the deeds we hope to do.

We welcome and warmly yield ourselves to the leadership of the Resident Bishop, Ernest Lynn Waldorf. He has become our leader by shareing our burdens, planning our work and lifting us to higher conceptions of our duty as ministers. He has dared us to do the whole task and we accept the challenge.

J. A. CARRUTH  
H. C. LEONARD.

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## REPORT OF BOARD OF CONFERENCE STEWARDS.

### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand .....	\$ 1.74
Received from Gulf Conference Permanent In- vestment Fund .....	72.58
Received from Methodist Book Concern.....	590.00
Received from Chartered Fund .....	35.00
Received from Board of Conference Claimants...	600.00
Received from Annual Conference Collections...	1,011.00
 <b>Total .....</b>	 <b>\$2,310.32</b>

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Geo. L. Harper .....	\$ 216.50
J. W. Lively .....	250.00
N. H. Oliver .....	333.50
N. L. Sayers .....	255.00
F. D. Van Valkenburgh .....	250.00
Julian Woodson .....	300.00
Mrs. P. C. Chaney .....	250.00
Mrs. J. T. James .....	260.00
Mrs. E. A. Ferguson .....	150.00
The E. A. Ferguson Children.....	15.00
The Bolton Children .....	30.00
 <b>Total .....</b>	 <b>\$2,310.00</b>

By vote of the Conference there was ordered to be apportioned to and raised by the Charges sixteen hundred (\$1,600.00) dollars for Conference Claimants.

L. E. GOWER, Treasurer.

## MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

### SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

District Superintendent .....	\$ 600.00
New Orleans: Italian Missions.....	1,500.00
Basile and Bayou Chene .....	600.00
De Quincy .....	170.00
Ebenezer .....	400.00
Gloster and Auburn .....	400.00
Iowa .....	300.00
Raymond .....	400.00
Quitman .....	300.00
Shamrock .....	300.00
Sweet Lake .....	300.00
Crowley, French Missions .....	100.00
	3,000.00

### TEXAS DISTRICT.

Alvin .....	\$ 1.00.00
Bethel and Deadwood .....	1,200.00
Hughes Springs, Jefferson and Atlanta..	150.00
La Porte .....	300.00
Lufkin Circuit .....	125.00
Lyford .....	200.00
Noonday and Wesley .....	350.00
Polk Circuit .....	300.00
Rockhill .....	300.00
San Antonio: William's Chapel .....	1,200.00
Shelbyville Circuit .....	200.00
South Houston and Pearland .....	175.00
Texas City .....	125.00
Winnsboro Circuit .....	400.00
Woodville Circuit .....	200.00
To the Texas District for District Su- perintendent .....	700.00
Total .....	\$6,025.00

## PLAN OF CONFERENCE EXAMINATIONS.

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Board of Examiners—Haughton K. Faulk, chairman,  
C. R. Robinson, H. C. Leonard, T. J. Shrode, F. J. Ensign,  
R. L. Weldon, B. B. Corbin.

### *Admission on Trial.*

1. The English Language ..... H. C. Leonard  
(a) The Art of Writing English,
- (b) All papers submitted shall be examined and marked with reference to the use of English.
2. American History ..... F. J. Ensign
3. Discipline ..... B. B. Corbin
4. Life of John Wesley ..... R. L. Weldon
5. Christian Perfection ..... C. R. Robinson
6. Essay ..... Houghton K. Faulk
7. Written Sermon ..... T. J. Shrode

### *First Year.*

1. New Testament History ..... H. C. Leonard
2. Human Behavior ..... R. L. Weldon
3. Making of the Sermon ..... B. B. Corbin
4. How to Study ..... Houghton K. Faulk
5. Homiletical Work ..... T. J. Shrode

### *Collateral Reading and Study*

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| The Church School .....                                  | C. R. Robinson    |
| Public Worship .....                                     | B. B. Corbin      |
| Individual Work .....                                    | R. L. Weldon      |
| The Pastor-Preacher .....                                | H. C. Leonard     |
| Winning the Fight Against Drink .....                    | F. J. Ensign      |
| The Life of the Spirit in the Modern English Poets ..... | Haughton K. Faulk |
| Francis Asbury .....                                     | T. J. Shrode      |
| The Methodist Review.....                                | T. J. Shrode      |

*Second Year*

1. (a) Dictionary of the Bible, (1 Vol. edition).
- (b) The Bible in the Making.
- (c) How we got our Bible ..... H. C. Leonard
2. Short History of the Christian Church..... R. L. Weldon
3. (a) The Pupil and the Teacher.
- (b) The Graded Sunday School..... B. B. Corbin
4. The Way to Win ..... H. K. Faulk
5. Homiletical Work ..... T. J. Shrode

*Collateral Reading and Study*

- The Christian View of the Old Test..... T. J. Shrode  
 Education in Religion and Morals..... Haughton K. Faulk  
 The Preacher, His Life and Work..... B. B. Corbin  
 Letters on Evangelism ..... R. L. Weldon  
 Solving the Country Church Problem..... T. J. Shrode  
 History of Methodism (Vol. I) ..... H. C. Leonard  
 Life of Luther ..... C. R. Robinson  
 The Methodist Review ..... F. J. Ensign

*Third Year*

1. Beason Lights of Prophecy..... C. R. Robinson
2. Foundation of Christian Belief..... C. R. Robinson
3. (a) Socialism and Modern Problems,  
 (b) Social Institutions and Ideals of the Bible  
 ..... B. B. Corbin
4. Introduction to the Study of Comparative Religion ..... F. J. Ensign
5. Homiletical Work ..... T. J. Shrode

*Collateral Reading and Study*

- Studies in Christianity ..... H. C. Leonard  
 The Fact of Christ ..... H. K. Faulk  
 Christianity and the Social Crisis ..... T. J. Shrode  
 Social Evangelism ..... C. R. Robinson  
 Community Survey ..... C. R. Robinson  
 History of Methodism (Vol. II) ..... H. C. Leonard  
 Life of Phillips Brooks ..... R. L. Weldon  
 The Methodist Review ..... H. K. Faulk

*Fourth Year*

1. Paul and his Epistles ..... H. C. Leonard
2. System of Christian Doctrine..... B. B. Corbin
3. Ethics ..... Haughton K. Faulk
4. (a) The New Home Missions,  
(b) Social Aspects of Foreign Missions.... R. L. Weldon

*Collateral Reading and Study*

- Historical Geography of the Holy Land..... T. J. Shrode  
The Book of Isaiah (Vol. I) ..... C. R. Robinson  
Outline of Christian Theology ..... H. C. Leonard  
The Call of the World..... Haughton K. Faulk  
The Church a Community Force..... F. J. Ensign  
The Minister as Shepherd ..... R. L. Weldon  
History of Methodism ..... H. C. Leonard  
The Methodist Review ..... B. B. Corbin

## REGULATIONS

1. No less than ten questions for examination in each study shall be prepared by each examiner, and as many copies of these questions as the Chairman shall need shall be sent to him two weeks before the date of examination.
2. All examinations shall be in writing and in the presence of witnesses if practicable.
3. Examination papers shall be graded on the basis of subject matter, use of English and assignment of written work.
4. The examinations shall be graded on the scale of 100, and 70 per cent is the minimum passing grade.
5. Each Examiner shall report all grades promptly to the Registrar.
6. Each Examiner shall give instruction by correspondence, and see that the assignments of written work, both of the regular text books and of the collateral books be done satisfactorily.
7. No equivalent for any subject in the course of study will be accepted, except on certificate signed by the President or Registrar of the College where subject was taken, and stating time when subject was pursued.
8. The wise student will get in touch at once with his examiner.

## CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

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### GULF MISSION.

Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1893	Jan. 19	Jennings, La. ....	E. C. Andrews	C. K. Woodson
1894	Jan. 25	Lake Charles, La. ....	J. M. Walden.	C. K. Woodson
1895	Jan. 24	Crowley, La. ....	Thos. Bowman.	C. K. Woodson
1896	Jan. 23	Jennings, La. ....	J. N. Fitzgerald	C. K. Woodson

### GULF MISSION CONFERENCE.

Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1897	Jan. 21	Jennings, La. ....	J. M. Walden.	C. K. Woodson
1898	Feb. 3	Crowley, La. ....	W. X. Ninde.	C. K. Woodson
1899	Feb. 2	Lae Charles, La. ....	S. M. Merrill.	C. K. Woodson
1900	Feb. 1	Marshall, Tex. ....	I. W. Joice....	L. W. Elkins
1901	Jan. 17	Jennings, La. ....	H. W. Warren	C. W. Campbell
1902	Jan. 30	Lae Charles, La. ....	C. D. Foss....	C. W. Campbell
1903	Feb. 3	Port Arthur, Tex. ....	W. F. Mallalieu	C. C. Morris

### GULF ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Year	Time	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1904	Feb. 4	Hughes Springs, Tex....	W. F. Mallalieu	J. Paul
1905	Feb. 2	Gloster, Miss. ....	H. Spellmeyer	F. F. Fitch
1905	Dec. 1	Welsh, La. ....	E. B. Wilson..	W. E. Harrison
1906	Nov. 15	Marshall, Tex. ....	L. B. Wilson..	J. R. Basket
1907	Dec. 16	Jennings, La. ....	William Burt.	J. R. Basket
1908	Dec. 16	Lake Charles, La. ....	W. A. Quayle.	J. R. Basket
1909	Dec. 16	Port Arthur, Tex. ....	T. B. Neely....	J. R. Basket
1910	Dec. 15	Welsh, La. ....	T. B. Neely....	H. H. McCain
1911	Dec. 15	Marshall, Tex. ....	T. B. Neely....	H. H. McCain
1912	Dec. 19	Port Artuar, Tex. ....	W. P. Thirkield	H. H. McCain
1913	Dec. 4	Woodville, Tex. ....	W. P. Thirkield	H. H. McCain
1914	Dec. 2	Jennings, La. ....	W. P. Thirkield	J. R. Basket
1915	Dec. 7	Port Arthur, Tex. ....	W. P. Thirkield	J. R. Basket
1916	Dec. 7	DeRidder, La. ....	W. O. Shepard	J. W. Hervey
1917	Nov. 29	Hughes Springs, Tex. ....	W. P. Thirkield	J. W. Hervey
1918	Nov. 27	Houston, Tex. ....	Chas. B. Mitchell	H. C. Leonard
1919	Nov. 26	Lake Charles, La. ....	W. P. Thirkield	H. C. Leonard
1920	Dec. 8	Houston, Tex. ....	E. L. Waldorf.	H. C. Leonard

## OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE.

After deciphering the reports of committees written on scraps of paper, blotting paper, etc., the Secretary still has a little reason left. No figures have been changed—only the spelling has been corrected. We do, therefore, certify that this is a correct Journal of the Gulf Annual Conference Session of 1920.

H. C. LEONARD, Secretary.

## ROLL OF OUR HONORED DEAD

"They rest from their labors and  
their works do follow them."

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**STATISTICAL TABLES AND TREASURER'S  
REPORT---GULF CONFERENCE---1920.**

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E. N. HARDIN, Statistician  
R. L. WELDON, Treasurer

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THEIR NAMES ARE ENGRAVED IN GOLD

ON THE WALLS OF THIS CHAPEL

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**STATISTICAL REPORT GULF CONFERENCE, 1920**  
**SOUTHERN DISTRICT.**  
**F. W. Loy, District Superintendent.**

## **RECAPITULATION.**

SOUTHERN DISTRICT F. W. Loy, Supt. in Charge	Last Year (1919).....	17855	16252	3008	1565	1506	125	141	344	383	18300	1704	13	55	58	24	95	61	2553	218	12	28	281	2745	1194	236	95	34	152000	13	50000	10520	4065	2600	2415					
	This Year (1920).....	16540	16401	2634	1525	1527	122	133	273	370	16651	180	17	38	82	73	95	238	2539	309	10	28	277	3013	1040	204	88	36	141100	13	48950	8600	4345	5353	2329					
	Increase .....	1315	.....	374	40	.....	21	.....	3	.....	8	71	13	1649	1524	4	17	24	49	.....	177	.....	14	111	2	.....	4	.....	154	32	7	2	10900	.....	1050	1920	.....	280	2753	86
	Decrease .....	.....	149	.....	40	.....	21	.....	3	.....	8	71	13	1649	1524	4	17	24	49	.....	177	.....	14	111	2	.....	4	.....	154	32	7	2	10900	.....	1050	1920	.....	280	2753	86

**STATISTICAL REPORT GULF CONFERENCE, 1920.**

TEXAS DISTRICT.

L. E. Gower, District Superintendent.

NAME OF CHARGE OR CHURCH	NAME OF PASTOR Name in parenthesis are supplies.	Ministerial Support												Church Membership												Sunday - Schools				Epw. Leag.				Church Property									
		Support of Pastor			Support of Dis. Supt.			Support of Bishops			Support of Conf. Claimants			Local Preachers			Baptisms			Prep. Membs.			Full Members			Sunday Schools			Officers & Teachers			Total Enrollment in all Depts.			Average Attend. of all Grades			Church Bldgs.			Estimated Value Land & Bldgs.		
		Total Claim Inc. House Rent	Total Paid Inc. House Rent	Rental Value of Parsonage	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Claim	Paid	Total Deficiency	Adults	Children Rec'd. Inst. for Mem.	Received During Year	Now on Roll	Now on Roll Excluding Non- resident Mem.	Non-resident Members	Deaths During Year	Now on Roll	Officers & Teachers	Total Enrollment in all Depts.	Average Attend. of all Grades	Seniors	Juniors	Parsonages	Estimated Value Land & Bldgs.	Paid for Bldgs. & Imp. on Ch.	Paid on Old Indbt. on Ch. and Pars.	Present Indbt. on Ch. & Pars.	Current Expenses													
Alvin .....	A. S. Denny.....	850	850	150	85	85	20	18	54	48	1001	8	1	3	82	25	25	4	2	24	124	75	12	2	2	4500	1200	23	140														
Bethel and Deadwood .....	R. T. Pynes.....	900	900	100	90	90	18	18	18	18	1026	1	13	12	191	111	111	4	17	187	128	20	1	2	2500	3000	2000	500	..														
Houston—Collins Memorial .....	C. W. Rodgers.....	2300	2300	300	230	230	40	40	120	120	2690	2	12	12	253	19	19	15	1	30	411	190	88	1	1	3500	2750	577	381	..													
Hughes Springs, Jefferson, Atlanta. ....	W. E. Harrison.....	1400	1176	125	140	98	20	13	60	20	1307	313	2	1	150	16	16	15	1	19	245	170	..	1	1	7600	10000	60	225	..													
La Porte .....	F. J. Ensign.....	1050	1050	150	105	105	18	18	52	52	1225	1	1	8	5	150	16	16	1	1	146	82	45	25	1	1	2400	1800	110	90	..												
Lufkin Circuit .....	(C. H. LaGrone).....	336	42	42	42	4	4	6	6	6	388	2	6	4	2	131	25	1	3	21	110	60	33	1	1	5000	1000	300	50	..													
Lyford .....	O. J. Ackerman.....	500	440	120	50	50	9	9	20	20	519	60	1	2	3	41	3	1	1	7	52	33	11	1	1	1000	2000	50	400	..													
Marshall .....	J. A. Carruth.....	2100	2100	300	210	210	36	36	105	105	2451	1	2	2	162	12	12	3	1	20	218	81	40	1	1	15000	1800	600	136	..													
Morgans Point .....	W. I. Gates.....	1025	1001	125	102	102	22	22	51	51	1176	24	3	4	185	1	1	1	1	6	64	40	12	2	2	2000	1500	200	200	269													
Noonday and Wesley .....	C. A. Perkins.....	200	233	20	21	4	4	12	12	272	1	1	1	5	68	1	1	5	45	30	30	30	1	1	500	500	..	10	..														
Ore City .....	C. A. Perkins.....	425	405	120	42	36	7	5	21	10	456	39	3	3	92	1	1	8	2	110	30	30	1	1	800	1750	150	104	..														
Polk Circuit .....	(W. C. Mann).....	700	150	125	70	70	12	62	35	817	..	..	..	18	110	30	1	1	16	102	65	37	40	1	1	4000	2000	130	150	25													
Rockhill .....	(J. M. Kenna).....	65	47	7	20	20	2	1	4	7	7	151	2	1	127	40	3	4	21	125	27	8	..	2	2	1400	8000	55	100	..													
Sabine Circuit .....	(T. H. Fletcher).....	700	65	47	7	20	2	1	2	1	450	2	1	1	151	3	1	1	34	202	124	20	30	1	1	4500	5000	1200	50	..													
San Antonio—Trinity .....	H. C. Leonard.....	2000	2000	600	200	200	40	40	100	100	2340	..	..	..	151	30	3	1	9	135	55	..	1	1	4000	80000	5000	63500	20000														
San Antonio—Williams Chapel .....	E. N. Hardin.....	425	225	45	20	5	2	15	3	450	..	..	..	2	27	8	..	1	9	135	55	..	1	1	4500	4500	2500	100	..														
Shelbyville Circuit .....	(T. H. Fletcher).....	100	30	30	5	5	20	20	1	2	316	..	..	1	1	301	..	..	1	9	161	45	10	1	1	4500	5000	1000	5000	..													
South Houston and Pearland .....	(T. M. Ransom).....	600	600	100	60	60	9	9	25	25	694	1	2	1	42	3	1	2	14	173	84	75	14	2	2	4500	1200	85	65	..													
Texas City .....	(E. L. Jones).....	1240	1011	240	124	101	21	12	74	19	1143	316	..	1	1	44	10	10	1	8	58	42	10	..	1	1	3500	12500	50	50	..												
Woodville Circuit .....	K. C. Minter.....	123	101	22	61	61	7	17	439	262	..	10	4	14	15	164	68	..	4	24	150	..	3	3	5500	2500	..	12	..														
Winnsboro Circuit .....	(S. P. Gaskins).....	600	375	60	40	11	7	30	17	439	262	..	10	4	14	15	76	..	1	1	7	70	55	..	2	2	2500	..	..	12	..												
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		15190	15904	2905	1848	1738	318	269	926	661	18394	1022	14	54	35	17	93	86	2517	279	16	35	317	2798	1314	347	120	36	162200	1633500	67575	25021469	1448										

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	Increase Decrease .....	690	2405	695	404	312	38	21	640	380	3554	74	3	20	6	47	22	7	242	21	1	2	17	245	3	23	51	5	43700	3775	65432	1249	19869

## GULF ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS, GULF CONFERENCE, 1920.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

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**TREASURER'S REPORT, GULF CONFERENCE, 1920.**  
**SOUTHERN DISTRICT.**

**GULF ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

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NAME OF CHARGE OR CHURCH	Disciplinary Benevolences	Benevolences		Other Cash Items	Grand Total, Inc. Disc. & Other Cash Items
		Support of Bishops (Episcopal Fund)	Support of Conference (Clairmontants)		
Auburn, Miss. ....	30	30	30	50	86
Bayou Chene, La. ....	46	46	46	40	96
Basile, La. ....	134	134	134	80	240
Crowley, La., French Mission. ....	43	43	43	80	144
De Quincy, La. ....	33	33	33	20	33
De Ridder, La. ....	60	60	60	60	132
Ebenezer, La. ....	4	4	4	65	64
Gloster, Miss. ....	100	100	100	126	165
Gueydan, La. ....	338	15	333	200	503
Ironton, La. ....	729	53	732	30	1068
Jennings, La. ....	189	7	10	16	2
Lake Charles, La. ....	175	30	236	9	334
Lutcher, La. ....	100	175	175	85	334
New Orleans, La., 1st Italian. ....	915	10	84	200	2
Oak Grove, La. ....	59	59	59	50	127
Port Arthur, Tex. ....	334	....	334	100	126
Quitman, La. ....	27	....	27	3	464
Raymond, La. ....	27	....	27	27	77
Sweet Lake, La. ....	747	25	772	141	120
Shamrock, La. ....	....	....	....	50	5
Weish, La. ....	....	....	....	180	120
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>3963</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>4197</b>
				141	15
				50	206
				1506	141
				383	7
				383	11
				383	6451

**TREASURER'S REPORT, GULF CONFERENCE, 1920.**  
**TEXAS DISTRICT.**

NAME OF CHARGE OR CHURCH		DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCE		BENEVOLENCE		OTHER CASH ITEMS		GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES		GRAND TOTAL, INC. DISC.	
Alvin	Bethel and Deadwood	242	7	8	257			85	18	48	6
Houston—Collins Memorial	Hughes Springs, Jefferson, Atlanta	1293	5	139	437			90	18	45	4
Lafkin Circuit	La Porte	161	5	2	161			230	40	120	5
Layford	Marshall	643	14	2	648			98	13	20	4
Morgan's Point	Morgan's Point	82	18	2	82			105	18	52	10
Noonday and Wesley	Noonday and Wesley	1388	6	6	1400			142	4	10	2
Ore City	Ore City	244	46	2	244			210	9	20	7
Polk Circuit	Polk Circuit	46	19	1	46			210	36	105	4
Rockhill	Sabine Circuit	19	90	1	46			102	22	51	4
San Antonio—Trinity	San Antonio—Williams Chapel	1286	38	101	1425			200	40	100	4
Shelbyville Circuit	South Houston and Pearland	163	6	101	166			200	2	3	4
Texas City	Woodville Circuit	112	4	116	116			30	60	9	30
Winnisboro Circuit	Winnisboro Circuit	10	10	10	10			101	12	19	1
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>6230</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>6559</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1731</b>	<b>269</b>
										<b>692</b>	<b>19</b>
										<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>

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